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- a. ☐ The amendment to claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, fails to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.121 and is accordingly held to be non-responsive. A supplemental paper correcting the informal portions and complying with 37 CFR 1.121 is required.
- b. ☐ The paper is unsigned. A duplicate paper or ratification, properly signed, is required.
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No further extension will be granted unless approved by the Commissioner. 37 CFR 1.136(b).
3. ☐ Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119 which papers have been made of record in the file.
4. ☐ Other:

→ See Attached.



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NOTICE TO APPLICANT

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1. Applicant's election of the species of Figs. 1-8 in the paper filed December 1, 2003 is acknowledged. However, Applicant's statement that "Applicant thinks the claims are readable, and the claims attached here with" in the paper filed June 24, 2004 is incorrect. Applicant's remarks in the paper filed back on May 14, 2004 that "Applicant thinks "the claims readable" should be based on the invention, not on elected Figs" is incorrect. Applicant is again advised that a reply to this requirement **must** include an **identification of the species** that is elected consonant with this requirement, **and a listing of all claims readable thereon (meaning the particular elected species, not the invention itself)**, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

In other words, Applicant must provide **only those claims that read on the elected species of Figs. 1-8 and not on the invention itself**. For example, claim 8 recites a material holder #38 disposed on the long handle which is only disclosed in non-elected Figs. 9-12. Similarly, claim 11 recites twisting part #40, side wall #42, center hole #46, multiple wing like piece #45, etc., only shown in non-elected Figs. 13-15. These claims, for example, do not read on elected Figs. 1-8.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communication from the Examiner should be directed to Randall Chin whose telephone number is (571) 272-1270. The Examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday and every other Friday.

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If attempts to reach the Examiner are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Robert Warden, can be reached at (571) 272-1281. The number for Technology Center 1700 is (571) 272-1700.

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